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BIOGRAPHICAL.

ERASTUS W. LOOMIS.

The Loomis family is of English origin, the paternal ancestor, Joseph Loomis, having emigrated from Braintree, Essex County, England, in the ship "Susan and Ellen," which sailed from London April 11, 1638, and arrived in Boston July 17th of the same year. In the following year he moved with his family, consisting of his wife and five sons and three daughters to Windsor, Litchfield County, Conn. Of his sons, Nathaniel was born in England, and married Elizabeth, daughter of John Moore, November 24, 1653. He died August 19, 1688. His children were Elizabeth, Nathaniel, Abigail, Josiah, Jonathan, David, Hezekiah, Moses, Mindwell, Ebenezer, Mary and Rebecca. Of these David was born January 11, 1667; married, December 8, 1692, Lydia Marsh. He died January 9, 1751. His children were Lydia, David, Aaron, Hephzibah, Eliakim, Elizabeth, Richard and Hannah. Aaron was born September 5, 1686; married, February 5, 1718, Elizabeth Horman, who died April 15, 1783. He died September 13, 1773. Their children were Deborah, Grace, Aaron, Mindwell, Moses, Abner, Esther, Ephraim, Richard, Eli, Issachar, Naomi, Abiah and Lemuel.

Ephraim was born April 1, 1731; married, October 31, 1756, Ruth Hifford; for his second wife he married, October 18, 1764, Jane